

FREE TO TWENTY-FIVE LADIES.

The Defiance Starch Co. will give 25 ladies a round trip ticket to the St. Louis Exposition, to five ladies in each of the following states: Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri who will send in the largest number of trade marks cut from a ten-cent, 16-ounce package of Defiance cold water laundry starch. This means from your own home, anywhere in the above named states. These trade marks must be mailed to and received by the Defiance Starch Co., Omaha, Neb., before September 1st, 1904. October and November will be the best months to visit the Exposition. Remember that Defiance is the only starch put up 16 oz. (a full pound) to the package. You get one-third more starch for the same money than of any other kind, and Defiance never sticks to the iron. The tickets to the Exposition will be sent by registered mail September 5th. Starch for sale by all dealers.

Aged and Youthful Statesmen.
The oldest man elected to the Vermont general assembly is Arnold Hall of East Haven, Jacksonian Democrat, aged 78. The youngest is Harmon E. Eddy of Stratton, Republican, aged 21. Legislator Elect William Tudor of Somerset, is the father of Legislator Elect John Tudor of Stamford.

\$20.00 per M. Lewis' "Single Bitter" straight cigar, costs more than other brands, but this price gives the dealer a fair profit—and the smoker a better cigar. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Without Benefit of Clergy.
He died in town this summer. During his last illness his wife nursed him over the telephone from Newport; his doctor treated him by telegraph from Bar Harbor, and a letter, written from the top of the Alps by his clergyman, was read over him at the funeral.—Life.

I do not believe Pilo's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—Journ. T. Boyer, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1904.

"Tigers" Now the Rage.
The stalwart footmen of 6 feet or more who so long were in favor among the ultra-swell set of New York have been displaced by good-looking boys between 13 and 15 years of age, especially on carriages. Handsome little fellows of the Fauntleroy type are now quite the correct thing.

All Up-to-Date Housekeepers
use Defiance Cold Water Starch, because it is better, and 4 oz. more of it for same money.

Prefer Boats to Houses.
Carnarross, on the west coast of Ireland, is composed entirely of boats. There are large stone quarries nearby, but the inhabitants stoutly decline to have a proper house, on the ground that an inverted fishing-boat is more comfortable.

RED CROSS BALL BLUE
Should be in every home. Ask your grocer for it. Large 2 oz. package only 5 cents.

Hay Fever from Hyacinths.
A German medical journal reports the case of a man who was attacked by hay fever in winter because he had cultivated hyacinths in his room.

Defiance Starch
should be in every household, none so good, besides 4 oz. more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

Record of Lightning Stroke.
There is an authenticated record of ninety-six sheep being killed by a single lightning stroke in Colorado.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound
A Woman's Remedy
For Woman's Ills.



GET A GRASP ON OUR TRADE MARK.
GET TO KNOW IT WHEN YOU SEE IT AND THEN NEVER BUY STARCH WITHOUT IT. DEFANCE STARCH IS WITHOUT EQUAL. IT IS GOOD. IT IS BETTER. IT IS THE BEST AND MORE OF IT FOR TEN CENTS THAN ANY OTHER STARCH. IT WILL NOT ROT THE CLOTHES. YOUR GROCER HAS IT OR WILL GET IT IF YOU ASK FOR IT.
SATISFACTION OR MONEY BACK.
MANUFACTURED BY THE DEFANCE STARCH CO., OMAHA, NEB.

A REASON FOR SICKNESS.



Healthy kidneys take from the blood every 24 hours 600 grains of impure, poisonous matter—more than enough to cause death. Weakened kidneys leave this waste in the blood, and you are soon sick. To get well, cure the kidneys with Doan's Kidney Pills, the great kidney specific.

Mrs. J. H. Bowles of 115 Core St., Durham, N. C., says: "I was sick and bedfast for over nine months, and the doctor who attended me said unless I submitted to an operation for gravel I would never be well. I would not consent to that and so continued to suffer. My back was so weak I could not stand or walk, and it aches constantly. The first day after I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I felt relief, and a short time I was up and around the same as ever, free from backache."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Bowles will be mailed to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all dealers; price 50 cents per box.

How's This?
We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Dr. J. C. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known J. C. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him. We have no objection to his publishing this advertisement in any form.

W. H. Kinsman & Martin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 12 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Leaves Ministry for Commerce.
Rev. Charles A. Tuckingham, the New Jersey clergyman who recently created a sensation by resigning the pastorate of a Baptist church because he could not accept some doctrines of the denomination, has become ticket agent for the Pennsylvania road at Pittsburg.

ALL UP-TO-DATE HOUSEKEEPERS
Use Red Cross Ball Blue. It makes clothes clean and sweet as when new. All grocers.

Germans Learning Chinese.
The Germans are ever keen for foreign trade and are now teaching the Chinese language to their commercial students. While the Chinese language is very complicated, it has been simplified to a very great degree for the purposes of commercial business.

This Will Interest Mothers.
Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, Cure Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the bowels and destroy Worms. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Lefroy, N. Y.

Roosevelt's Many Speeches.
No ten presidents combined ever made so many speeches in the first fourteen months of their term of office as Mr. Roosevelt.—Exchange.

Insist on Getting It.
Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 oz. in a package, which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money.

Do you want 16 oz. instead of 12 oz. for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

On Liberal Lines.
The new medical college to be endowed at New York by Mr. Rockefeller will have departments for both allopaths and homeopaths.



Qualified.
The young man was applying for a position as drug clerk. "And you consider yourself competent to stand in a pharmacy?" interrogated the proprietor. "I should say so," responded the young man. "I can smile at babies, hand out ten almanacs a second, understand the soda-water wink, paste stamps on envelopes, hunt up names in the directory and listen to every man's troubles."

Proper Resentment.
Archie—I don't see you out with Miss Fluffy any more. Fwaddy—No; I asked her the other day if she thought she could learn to love me, and she lawed and said, "Not in a thousand years!" That made me mad, and I said, baw Jove, I wasn't going to waste my time going to see her any more! And I'm not, either, baw Jove!

Agreed at Last.
Amanda—"Do you remember ten years ago, when you confessed your love for me, how cruelly I refused you?"



Algermon—"Well—er—so do I."

Her Private Opinion.
"No, ma'am," said the hobo who was figuring on a handout, "I ain't no regular tramp. I was a sailor three years ago, but me ship got wrecked an' I was washed ashore."

Ingratitude.
Uncle Eph'm was trying to sell his mule. "No, suh," he said, "dis mewel wouldn't kick nobody. She's puffykin' gentle. Ain't got no bad tricks. Any woman kin hitch 'er up an'—whoa, dar, you ongrateful beast! Quit dat cavortin'! Don't you heah how I's lyin' about yuh?"

Pot and Kettle.
"That fellow townsmen of yours," remarked the New Yorker, "hasn't much idea of table manners." "No," replied the Chicagoan, "I noticed that. Why, the other day I seen him use the same knife for his pie that he'd used to eat his peas with."

Much Harder.
"It's a very sweet lullaby," said the musician's friend. "I suppose it was pretty hard to compose it." "Oh, not very," replied the musician; "I can imagine harder things." "That's so; composing a baby that you sing it to, for instance."

He Must Go.



Mme. Prima—"I must get a divorce." Mme. Donna—"Why, I thought your husband was such an amiable man." Mme. Prima—"He is; but he and Fido snore in discord, and I can't stand it!"

Over and Over.
"Well," said Morrell, speaking of the demise of a mutual friend, "a man can only die once and—"

A Real Old Actor.
Ascum—Your father was an actor, you say. Bragg—Certainly. Bragg, the tragedian, you know. Ascum—Funny I never heard of him. He played "Hamlet" of course? Bragg—Sure! He originated the part.

A BETBACK TO SUPERSTITION.

Friday and the Number Thirteen Both Lucky for America.
Prof. C. A. L. Totten, formerly military instructor in Yale, replying to the question of a New Yorker whether 1903 is to be lucky or an unlucky year says: "What is the matter with either Friday or the number thirteen? As to America, it bears thirteen all over its history, and Friday has been its chief day (discovery of America, Declaration of Independence, etc.). We have thirteen letters in E. Pluribus Unum, the motto on our great seal. We have thirteen, thirteen times repeated, on that seal. Take out one new silver quarter, if you have one left, and count the thirteens, even on its obverse face. Dear me, don't worry over the luckiest number. A full baker's dozen is thirteen—that is, one for good measure, pressed down and running over. Manassah was the thirteenth tribe in Israel and we are the people."

THE SPIRIT AND THE FLESH.

One Was Willing, But the Other One Must Have Been Very Weak.

Supreme Court Justice Woodward, hearing Borough President Cantor deploring the fact that he had to attend a public dinner, where he might have too good a time, said: "That reminds me of an old constituent up in Fredonia whose weakness was strong drink. The town voted no license, and to obtain liquor it was necessary to take a trolley car to Dunkirk, three miles away. One night I saw my bibulous friend waiting for the Dunkirk car. I saluted him and inquired where he was going. 'Down to Dunkirk, to get drunk,' he shouted, and then he added solemnly: 'But gee, how I dread it!'"—New York Times.

Why It Is the Best
is because made by an entirely different process. Defiance Starch is unlike any other, better and one-third more for 10 cents.

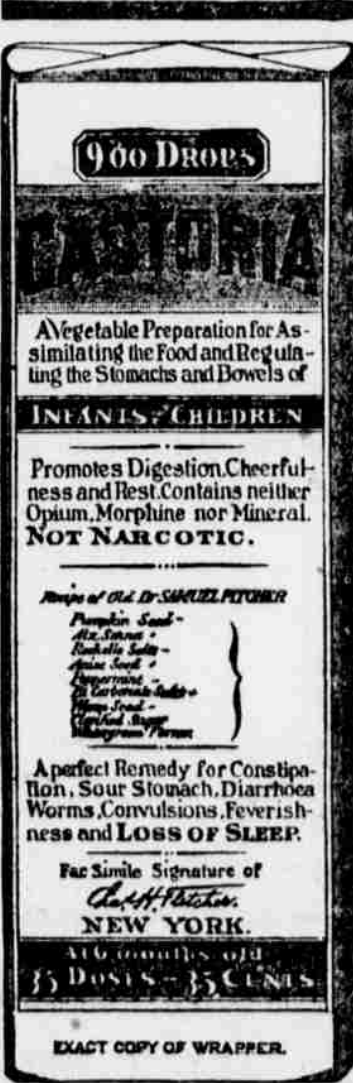
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Transplanted eyelashes and eyebrows are said to be the latest things in the way of personal adornment. Only the brave and rich can patronize the new method at present, for, besides being painful and costly, it takes a long time to accomplish it.

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Shake into your shoes, Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder for the feet. It makes tight or New Shoes feel Easy. Cures Swollen, Hot, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. At all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Lefroy, N. Y.

Mail Order Business Large.
The total volume of business done by the mail order business of Chicago is about \$40,000,000 a year. One firm in Chicago does a trade of \$15,000,000; another \$12,000,000. It is a cash business.

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if you travel, on business or pleasure, to get the best service for the lowest rates? Ask the Erie Railroad Company, 555 Railway Exchange, Chicago, for full information. Booklets free describing Summer Tours and the Beautiful Chautauque Lake Region; also Cambridge Springs.

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A Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of INFANTS & CHILDREN.
Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.
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WHY HOT WEATHER MAKES WOMEN NERVOUS.



Blanche Grey.

A Well Known Canadian Lady Sends Letter of Endorsement to Pe-ru-na.
Miss Mary Burns, 28 Spring Garden Road, Halifax, N. S., writes: "Having used Peru-na for indigestion and stomach trouble and to build up a broken down system with the very best results, I am pleased to state my experience with this excellent medicine. I had been troubled with stomach trouble and poor digestion for some years, and although I tried many remedies and dieting, nothing seemed to restore my health until I used Peru-na. In three months I had entirely recovered my health and strength."—Mary Burns.

Suggestions by Dr. Harman.—How to Combat the Nervous Depression Incident to Warm Weather.

Nervousness is very common among women. This condition is due to anemic nerve centers. The nerve centers are the reservoir for nerve vitality. These centers become bloodless for the want of proper nutrition. This condition is especially noticeable during the warm season. Every summer an army of invalids are produced as a direct result of weak nervous systems. This could easily be overcome by the use of Peru-na. Peru-na strikes at the root of the trouble by correcting the digestion. Perfect digestion furnishes increased nutrition for the nerve centers. Perfectly digested food gives these reservoirs of life a vitality which creates strong, steady nerves, and in this manner fortifies and nourishes life. Miss Blanche Grey, a prominent young society woman of Memphis, Tenn., in a recent letter from 174 Alabama street, writes: "To a society woman whose nervous force is often taxed to the utmost from lack of rest and irregular meals, I know of nothing which is of so much benefit as Peru-na. I took it a few months ago when I felt my strength giving way, and it soon made itself manifest in giving me new strength and health."—Miss Blanche Grey.

Pe-ru-na Contains No Narcotics.
One reason why Peru-na has found permanent use in so many homes is that it contains no narcotic of any kind. Peru-na is perfectly harmless. It can be used any length of time without acquiring a drug habit. Peru-na does not produce temporary results. It is permanent in its effect. It has no bad effect upon the system, and gradually eliminates catarrh by removing the cause of catarrh. There are a multitude of homes where Peru-na has been used off and on for twenty years. Such a thing could not be possible if Peru-na contained any drugs of a narcotic nature. At this season of the year we are peculiarly liable to inflammation of the stomach and bowels. It is the part of wisdom to learn how to cut them short and in the easiest and quickest manner. Peru-na does this by its peculiar power over all forms of catarrhal troubles.



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Almost a half million acres of the fertile and well-watered lands of the Rosebud Indian Reservation, in South Dakota, will be thrown open to settlement by the Government in July. These lands are best reached by the Chicago & North Western Railway's direct through lines from Chicago to Bismarck, S. D. All agents sell tickets via this line. Special low rates.
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Send for a copy of pamphlet giving this information as to dates of opening and how to secure 100 acres of land at nominal cost, with full description of the soil, climate, timber and mineral resources, towns, schools and churches, opportunities for business openings, railway rates, etc., free on application.
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Wiggle Stick
Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE
Wash, spin, break, freeze and spot clothes. Costs 10c. and equals 25c. worth of any other blue.
BEGGS' BLOOD PURIFIER
CURES catarrh of the stomach.
Some women marry for money and some for alimony.
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